Spotlight

BENEFITS & WELLNESS NEWSLETTER

February 2012
Includes Open Enrollment Info

Produced by the Franklin County Benefits and Risk Management Department for members of the Franklin County Cooperative Health Benefits Program

Message from the Franklin County Commissioners on Patient-Centered Medical Homes in Central Ohio

A Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) is a team-based model of care led by a personal physician who provides coordinated care – both preventive services and treatment of acute and chronic illness – throughout a patient's lifetime. It is a model of practice in which a team of health professionals, coordinated by a personal physician, works together to provide high levels of care, access and communication. We expect to see more and more Central Ohio primary care practices becoming Patient-Centered Medical Homes.

There are **five core principles** of a Patient-Centered Medical Home.

FIRST CORE PRINCIPLE:

A medical home assures superb access to care.

While all five cornerstones of the medical home are equally important, shorter wait times for urgent needs and enhanced office

hours resonate louder with patients than any other. Patient access to providers is key to the medical home model, as evidenced by evening and Saturday access and use of

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alternative methods of communication such as email.

- Increase access to care and time with/for patients
- More effective and efficient care delivery

Open Enrollment will be held for two weeks: Wednesday, February 22, 2012, through Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

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Benefits remain the same. Medical, Prescription Drug, Behavioral Health Dental, Vision, Life and EAP Details: Pages 6-11

for the majority of employees, effective April 1, 2012.

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Documents proving eligibility are required for **ANY dependent** added to the Plan during Open Enrollment.

No later than **March 6, 2012!**Details: Page 4

Young Adult Dependent (YAD) coverage decreases.

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The **imputed income** for domestic partner coverage increases effective April 1, 2012,

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Supplemental life premium increases due to aging into the next age bracket, are effective April 1, 2012.

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SECOND CORE PRINCIPLE:

A medical home is patient-centered. The patient is recognized as the most important member of the care team. They and their families are fully informed and engaged and work in partnership with the medical home care team to establish a care plan. Influences such as values, personal preference and ability are balanced with overall patient needs. The patient is viewed as more than their illness.

- Improve patient engagement in their own health management
- Move beyond episodic visits (treating the patient when health issues arise) to manage the patient holistically (keeping patient from developing health issues)
- Increase focus on wellness education and screenings

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THIRD CORE PRINCIPLE:

A medical home provides comprehensive care. The care team is accountable for meeting the majority of each patient's health care needs, including prevention and wellness, acute and chronic care and end of life issues. Services may be provided directly by the medical home or in coordination with providers in the community - specialists, advanced practice nurses, pharmacists, nutritionists, social workers, educators and care coordinators, etc.

- Maintaining the patient's total health care picture
- Proactively reach out to patients experiencing gaps in care or at risk
- Improve health outcomes by performing necessary screenings based on evidence-based guidelines

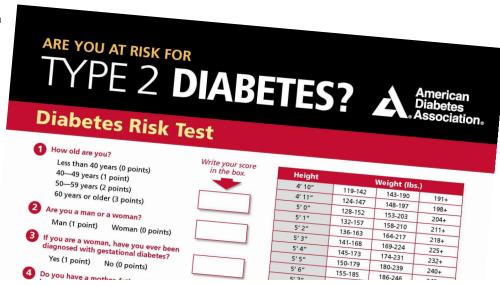
FOURTH CORE PRINCIPLE:

A medical home coordinates care.

Building clear and open communication among patients and families, the medical home and other healthcare providers across the broader health care system, is key. Specialty care, hospitals, home health ""Specialty care, hospitals, home health care, community services, etc. become part of the medical care team."

American Diabetes Association Alert Day®

The American Diabetes Association Alert Day® will be observed Tuesday, March 27, 2012. It is a one-day, "wake-up call" asking the American public to take the Diabetes Risk Test to find out if they are at risk for developing type 2 diabetes. The new Diabetes Risk Test asks users to answer simple questions about weight, age, family history and other potential risks for prediabetes or type 2 diabetes.



Diabetes by the Numbers

- Diabetes strikes nearly 26 million children and adults in the US.
- A quarter of people with diabetes 7 million do not even know they have it!
- An additional 79 million have prediabetes, which puts them at high risk for developing type 2 diabetes.
- If left unchecked, as many as one in three American adults will have diabetes in 2050.

Diagnosis often comes 7 to 10 years after the onset of the disease, after disabling and even deadly complications have had time to develop. Therefore, early diagnosis is critical to successful treatment and delaying or preventing some of its complications such as heart disease. blindness, kidney disease,



Take Charge of Your Health

Studies have shown that type 2 diabetes can often be prevented or delayed by losing just 7% of body weight (such as 15 pounds if you weigh 200), through regular physical activity (30 minutes a day, five days a week) and healthy eating. By understanding your risk, you can take the necessary steps to help prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes.

2012 OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open Enrollment is your opportunity to make health and life benefit elections for the coming year.

- Open Enrollment will be held Wednesday, February 22, 2012, through Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

 Any change made during Open Enrollment will become effective April 1, 2012.
- . Your 2012 Open Enrollment is NOT mandatory.

Current benefit elections will 'rollover' to the new plan year if you do nothing.

. The Enrollment ID Number is 52097.

All Open Enrollment changes will be made online at www.eelect.com. To log on, you will need the Enrollment ID Number, your social security number and your PIN. Your PIN is the two digits of the month of your birth and the last two digits of the year of your birth.

Prior to the start of Open Enrollment, an Enrollment Worksheet will be mailed to your home with 'how to' instructions for accessing the www.eelect.com system. A Confirmation Statement illustrating your benefit elections will be mailed to your home upon the close of Open Enrollment.

• Enrollment of any dependent added during Open Enrollment will be pended for approval by the Benefits Office.

You must supply the Benefits Office with appropriate documentation for any dependent added during Open Enrollment. A list of acceptable documents is provided during your enrollment session at www.eelect.com or is available in the Benefits Office. **NOTE:** Documentation must be supplied no later than March 6, 2012.

 If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, a computer station will be available in the Benefits Office.

The Benefits Office is located on the 25th floor of the Franklin County Courthouse and is staffed Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm. The telephone number is 614-525-5750 (local) or 1-800-397-5884 (toll-free). Pickaway County employees, please contact your Human Resource representative.



NEW PLAN YEAR - NEW ENROLLMENT ID NUMBER

LIFE EVENTS DURING AND AFTER OPEN ENROLLMENT

If you experience a Life Event (marriage, birth, divorce, adoption, etc.) during or after Open Enrollment that requires a change in your benefits enrollment, you may need to make the change in both the 2011 (35310) and 2012 (52097) enrollment databases. Please use the chart below as a guide and do not hesitate to contact the Benefits Office with questions.

Event	Date of Event	Effective Date of Change	Use the following Enrollment ID Number(s)
Birth, Adoption, Divorce	February 2012 March 2012	Actual date of event	Make the change under both 35310 and 52097 enrollment id numbers
Marriage	February 2012	3/01/2012	Make the change under both 35310
Marriage	March 2012	4/01/2012	52097

Go to the www.eelect.com enrollment system - use the appropriate Enrollment ID Number - and make the necessary changes. Submit documentation of the event (official birth or marriage certificate, divorce papers, etc.) to the Benefits Office as soon as possible (no later than 30 days from the event).

IMPACT OF A NEW PLAN YEAR ON BENEFITS

A new plan year will begin April 1, 2012, and run through March 31, 2013. Any benefit that is a 'per plan year' or 'annual' benefit is impacted by the ending of one plan year and the beginning of the next. That includes but is not limited to:

Any benefit subject to the annual deductible

 All deductibles (medical, dental and behavioral health) start over at the beginning of a new plan year. There is no 'rollover', i.e. no part of the deductible rolls over from one year to the next.

Physical, Occupational, Speech, Cardiac and Pulmonary rehabilitation and Chiropractic services

Your 25 visit 'per plan year' maximum for each of these benefits is 'reset' effective April 1st. Unused visits do not roll over from one year to the next.

QUIZ:	Му	y plan year runs from to, so my benef	its 'reset' effective	·
		January to December, January 1st		
		March to February, February 1st		
		April to March, April 1st	Spril to March, April 1st	VANSWER



SUMMARY OF MEDICAL BENEFITS

	IN-NETWORK
MEDICAL PLAN	
Office Visit Copay	
- Preventive Care	\$0
- Non-Preventive Care	\$20
- Premium Designated Specialist	\$20
- Non-Premium Designated Specialist	\$40
Therapies and Chiropractic	\$20
- Limited to 25 visits per plan year	
Urgent Care	\$25
Emergency Room	\$150
Inpatient Hospitalization,	Annual Deductible
Outpatient Surgery, Major Diag-	\$200 Individual
nostic, Ancillary Services, etc.	\$500 Family
- Deductible	Coinsurance
- Coinsurance	You pay 0%.
- Out-of-Pocket Maximum	Plan pays 100%.
	Annual Out-of-
	pocket Max
	\$600 Individual
	\$1,500 Family

OUT-OF- NETWORK
Annual Deductible
\$400 Individual
\$1,000 Family
Coinsurance
You pay 20%.
Plan pays 80%.
Annual Out-of-
pocket Max
\$1,200 Individual
\$3,000 Family

KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION ANNUAL SURVEY

The Franklin County Cooperative participates in the Kaiser Family Foundation's annual survey of employer health plans. The results of the survey provide information on employer health plans across the nation.

Throughout the next several pages, some of the statistics from the survey are noted. Please take some time to read this information to gain a greater appreciation for the benefit plan provided by the County.

QUIZ: How much will your employer pay into the health fund this year for your benefits?

- **55,000 \$8,000**
- **\$8,001 \$12,000**
- **\$12,001 \$15,000**

KAISER STATS

COST SHARING

31% of covered workers are in plans with a deductible of \$1,000 or more for single coverage

Average single deductible: \$621

Average family deductible: \$1,121

YOUR DEDUCTIBLE for single coverage is \$200. **YOUR DEDUCTIBLE** for family coverage is \$500.

Roughly 84% of covered workers are enrolled in plans that cover primary care office visits prior to meeting the annual deductible. In addition to primary care, YOUR PLAN also covers the following services prior to meeting the deductible:

- · Specialist care
- Minor diagnostic/therapeutic services
- · Physician office surgical procedures
- Physical/Occupational/Speech, Cardiac and Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy
- · Chiropractic services
- · Urgent care services
- · Emergency care services

OFFICE VISIT COPAY

60% of covered workers have a primary care office visit copay of \$20-\$30.

- · 20% have higher
- · 20% have lower

YOUR OFFICE VISIT COPAY for primary care is \$20.

60% of covered workers have a specialist office visit copay higher than \$20-\$30.

- 32% have a copay of \$20-\$30.
- · 8% have lower.

YOUR OFFICE VISIT COPAY for a specialist is \$20. (\$40 if not a premium designated provider)

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SUMMARY OF PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS

	RETAIL
PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN	
Non-Specialty Medications	
Generic (G) Copay	\$5
Preferred Brand (PB) Copay	\$25
Non-Preferred Brand (NPB) Copay	\$50
Proton Pump Inhibitors	
Tier I includes two generics	Tier 1: \$5
(omeprazole and pantoprazole) and all	Tier 2: \$50
over the counter PPIs. Tier 2 includes	Tier 3: \$75
Nexium and lansoprazole. Tier 3 in-	
cludes all other brand PPIs.	
Specialty Medications	
Generic (G) Copay	\$5
Preferred Brand (PB) Copay	\$25
Non-Preferred Brand (NPB) Copay	10% up to \$150 per
	prescription
Injectible Insulin	Covered 100%
Diabetic supplies	Pharmacy plan:
- Lancets, syringes, test strips, etc.	Covered 100%
	Medical plan:
	100% after annual
	deductible

MAIL ORDER
\$12.50
\$62.50
\$125
Tier I: \$12.50
Tier 2: \$125
Tier 3: \$187.50
\$12.50
\$62.50
10% up to \$300 pe
prescription
Covered 100%
Pharmacy plan:
Covered 100%
Medical plan:
100% after annual
deductible

KAISER STATS

COST SHARING TIERS

77% of covered workers are enrolled in plans with three, four or more tiers of cost sharing. **YOUR PLAN** has multiple tiers.

Most covered workers pay a flat copay for prescription drugs.
According to the survey:

 The average generic copay is \$10.

YOUR copay is \$5.

• The average preferred brand copay is \$29.

YOUR copay is \$25.

• The average non-preferred brand copay is \$49.

YOUR copay is \$50.

 The average specialty copay is \$91.

YOUR PLAN covers most specialty medications at a \$25 copay.



QUIZ: Will you pay less for diabetic supplies under the medical plan or the pharmacy plan?

- ☐ Medical plan
- ☐ Pharmacy plan

Diabetic supplies - lancets, syringes, test strips, etc. - are subject to the \$200 annual deductible under the medical plan. *Diabetic supplies are covered 100% without a copay under the pharmacy plan*.



SUMMARY OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BENEFITS

	IN-NETWORK			
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PLAN				
Outpatient Copay				
- First 30 visits	\$0			
- 31st visit +	\$20			
Inpatient Hospitalization				
for Mental Health or	No Deductible			
Substance Abuse treatment	No Coinsurance			
	Plan pays 100%.			

Annual Deductible
\$400 Individual
\$1,000 Family
Coinsurance
You pay 20%.
Plan pays 80%.
Annual Out-of-
pocket Max
\$1,200 Individual
\$3,000 Family

OUT-OF- NETWORK

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP)			
- 8 visits	No сорау		

N/A

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) and behavioral health benefits are administered by the same company -

United Behavioral Health (UBH) - but they are two very distinct programs.

Both programs provide counseling resources when faced with life challenges, however, the EAP offers additional benefits not available through behavioral health, including:

- Legal consultation from a licensed attorney
- Marriage counseling
- Mediation services
- Financial counseling from a credentialed financial professional

QUIZ: What is the most important bit of information to know about your EAP and behavioral health benefits?

	UBH telephon	e number:	1.800.354.3950
П	UBH website:	www.livea	ndworkwell.com

- ☐ UBH services are 100% confidential.
- ☐ All of the above

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DENTAL DEFINITIONS

Preferred Provider Organization

(PPO) - a program where dental care may be provided by 'preferred dentists' but allows coverage at 'non-preferred dentists' as well. Preferred providers have agreed to accept discounted fees.

Dental Maintenance Organization (**DMO**) - a program where dental care must be provided by designated providers for a fixed fee.

Diagnostic - procedures performed by a dentist to evaluate the condition of teeth or mouth. May include prophylaxis (cleaning), x-rays, etc.

Preventive - procedures concerned with the prevention of dental disease by protective and educational measures. May include exams, cleanings, x-rays, fluoride, etc.

Basic - dental procedures to repair or restore individual teeth due to decay, impaired function, erosion, etc. Typically includes fillings, planing, extractions, etc.

Major Restorative - procedures concerned with the restoration of teeth using inlays, onlays, crowns or vaneers, root canals and tissue/bone treatment.

Orthodontics - dentistry that deals with the diagnosis of misaligned teeth. Involving the straightening or moving of teeth/jaw with braces and/or surgery.

Annual/Lifetime Maximum - maximum amount paid by the dental plan in a plan year/in a lifetime.

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SUMMARY OF DENTAL BENEFITS

	PPO	
	NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
DENTAL PPO PLAN		
Annual Deductible	None	\$25 per person
Coinsurance		
The plan pays:		
- Diagnostic	100%	90%
- Preventive	100%	90%
- Basic	80%	70%
- Major Restorative	80%	60%
Annual Maximum Benefit	\$1,100	\$1,000
Orthodontia	Children	Children
Coinsurance	under 19 only	Under 19 only
The plan pays:	75%	75%
Lifetime Maximum Benefit	\$1,500	\$1,400

DMO
COVERAGE ONLY FOR
NETWORK PROVIDERS
DMO PLAN
None
100%
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Fixed copay
Fixed copay
Fixed copay
Based on fixed copays
Fixed copays
Based on fixed copays

SUMMARY OF VISION BENEFITS

	NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK	
VISION			
Exam (every 12 months)	\$10	Reimbursed up to \$40	
Lenses (every 12 months)	\$20	Reimbursed up to \$50-\$70	
Frames (every 24 months)	\$130 allowance (retail) \$50 allowance (wholesale)	Reimbursed up to \$30	
Frames for children < age 12 (every 12 months)	\$130 allowance (retail) \$50 allowance (wholesale)	Reimbursed up to \$30	
Contact Lenses (every 12 month in leiu of glasses)	\$105 allowance	Reimbursed up to \$80	

For a more in-depth explanation of your benefits, please visit or call the Benefits Office, located on the 25th floor of the Franklin County Courthouse. The Benefits Office is staffed Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm. The telephone number is 614-525-5750 (local) or 1-800-397-5884 (toll-free).



BASIC LIFE and AD&D INSURANCE (Applies to Franklin, Fairfield and Pickaway County employees)

Basic Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) insurance is provided to all benefits eligible employees. These benefits are provided at no cost to you.

Basic Life pays upon death due to illness or injury. AD&D doubles the death benefit if death is due to an accident or pays a partial benefit for injuries sustained as a result of an accident.

See below for additional life insurance benefits.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Beneficiary information is recorded in the online enrollment system. Beneficiary designations should be reviewed and updated periodically.

BASIC LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE AMOUNTS

\$125,000	Class I:	Fairfield County BDD Superintendent
Ix annual salary	Class 2:	Fairfield County BDD Management
\$21,000	Class 3:	Fairfield County BDD Non-Management
\$100,000	Class 4:	FCCS Executive Director
\$50,000	Class 5:	Franklin County Employees
Ix annual salary	Class 6:	Fairfield County Employees
\$30,000	Class 7:	Pickaway County Human Services Dept
\$25,000	Class 8:	Pickaway County, excluding Class 7

ADDITIONAL LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

Line of Duty: Pays an additional benefit when an eligible public safety officer suffers a loss for which AD&D insurance benefits are payable and it is the result of a line of duty accident. Covers sheriff, deputies, correction and judicial officers.

MEDEX Travel Assist: Offers assistance when traveling with pre-trip planning, locating medical care abroad, interpretation services, emergency ticket, passport replacement and missing baggage assistance, legal assistance, emergency evacuation, etc.

Occupational Assault: Pays an additional benefit when an employee, while actively at work, suffers a loss as a result of an act of physical violence punishable by law.

Public Transportation: Pays an additional benefit when an employee dies while riding as a fare-paying passenger on public transportation.

Seat Belt: Pays an additional benefit if an employee, while properly wearing a seat belt, dies as a result of a car accident.

Career Adjustment/Higher Education/Child Care:

Pays an additional benefit for training, higher education and child care expenses, upon accidental death of the employee.

Accelerated Death: Pays the member a percent of life insurance benefit, while living, when diagnosed with terminal illness.

Portability/Conversion: Upon termination of employment or loss of eligibility, allows the member to 'take the coverage with them'. Restrictions apply and a request must be made within 31 days of coverage termination. Contact Standard at 1-800-378-4668, ext. 6785 for more information.

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SUPPLMENTAL LIFE OPTIONS AND RATES (Applies to Franklin and Fairfield County employees)

Supplemental Life can provide additional amounts of life insurance for employees and coverage for spouses, domestic partners and dependent children. Supplemental Life pays upon death due to illness or injury. There is no

AD&D benefit attached to Supplemental Life. You pay the full cost for this benefit.

Coverage Options

Employee: Up to \$300,000

Spouse/Domestic Partner: Up to \$150,000

Dependent Children: \$5,000 or \$10,000

IF YOU ARE NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED

If you did not enroll in the supplemental life program previously, you may do so during Open Enrollment. All coverage requests must be approved by Standard.

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED

If you are currently enrolled in the supplemental life program and wish to increase or decrease your coverage, you may do so during Open Enrollment. All coverage increases over \$10,000 must be approved by Standard. Decreases in coverage do not require approval. Do nothing if you want to continue your current coverage amount.

\$10,000 BUMP

You may increase your supplemental life coverage, as well as the coverage of your spouse or domestic partner, by \$10,000 with-

out obtaining approval from Standard. If you request an increase greater than \$10,000, the first \$10,000 will



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For example, if you request an increase of \$50,000, the first \$10,000 will be given to you without approval. Standard must approve the remaining \$40,000.

WE'RE ALL GETTING OLDER

If you or your spouse or domestic partner age into the next higher age bracket, your rates will increase effective April 1, 2012.

\$10,000 increments			
Age as of April 1, 2012	Monthly Rate per \$10,000		
<25	\$0.50		
25-29	\$0.54		
30-34	\$0.54		
35-39	\$0.54		
40-44	\$1.00		
45-49	\$1.50		
50-54	\$2.30		
55-59	\$4.30		
60-64	\$6.60		
65-69	\$10.34		
70-74	\$20.60		
75+	\$20.60		

2012 Supplemental Life Rates

Employee and Spouse or Domestic Partner

Dependent Child(ren)				
\$5,000 increments				
\$.13 per \$1,000 of coverage				
\$5,000 = \$.65	\$10,000 = \$1.30			



EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS - FRANKLIN COUNTY

Pickaway County employees contact your Human Resource Office

Effective April 1, 2012, employee contributions will be changing for most employees covered by the Franklin County Cooperative Health Benefits Program. Illustrated below are the employee contributions for Franklin County agencies and bargaining units.

STANDARD EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION:

Coverage without a spouse - \$95 per month Coverage with a spouse - \$195 a month

- . ADAMH Board of Franklin County
- Columbus and Franklin County Metropolitan Park District
- Franklin County Auditor
- Franklin County Board of Commissioners
- · Franklin County Board of Elections
- · Franklin County Board of Health
- Franklin County Child Support Enforcement Agency
- Franklin County Children Services
 Bargaining and Non-bargaining
- Franklin County Clerk of Courts
 Bargaining and Non-bargaining
- Franklin County Community Based Correctional Facility
- Franklin County Coroner
 Bargaining and Non-bargaining
- Franklin County Court of Common
 Pleas General Division

- Franklin County Data Center
- Franklin County Department of Animal Control
- Franklin County Department of Public Facilities Management
- Franklin County Economic Development & Planning Department
- Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security
- Franklin County Engineer
 Bargaining and Non-bargaining
- Franklin County Fleet Management Department
- Franklin County Human Resources
- Franklin County Job & Family Services

Bargaining and Non-bargaining

- · Franklin County Law Library
- Franklin County Office of Homeland Security & Justice Programs

- Franklin County Office on Aging
- · Franklin County Probate Court
- Franklin County Prosecutor
- Franklin County Public Defender
- Franklin County Purchasing Department
- · Franklin County Recorder
- · Franklin County Sanitary Engineer
- Franklin County Sheriff's Office
 Fraternal Order of Police/Capital
 City Lodge No 9 and Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council/
 Unit 2/Patrol Communications Technicians included
- Franklin County Treasurer
- Franklin County Veterans Service Commission
 Bargaining and Non-bargaining
- Tenth District Court of Appeals for the State of Ohio

If your agency or bargaining unit was not listed above, please contact your agency Human Resource personnel for employee contributions. This includes but may not be limited to the following agencies and bargaining units:

- AFSCME Ohio Council 8/AFL-CIO/Local 2049
- Franklin County Court of Common Pleas - Domestic Division and Juvenile Branch
- · Franklin County Veterans Memorial
- Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District
- Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council/PFM
- Fraternal Order of Police/Ohio Labor Council/Unit 3/Nurses, IT Staff, Social Workers & Chaplain
- Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
- Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio
- Teamsters Local 413/Unit 1/Civilians
- · Teamsters Union, Local 284
- The Greater Columbus Convention Center

DOMESTIC PARTNER RATES AND TAXES - FRANKLIN COUNTY ONLY

The imputed income for domestic partner coverage is increasing effective April 1, 2012. The imputed income is the value of the domestic partner benefit and the employee must pay taxes on the value as if it were income.

The imputed income for employees paying the 'standard' monthly employee contribution which is most Franklin County employees will be **\$710.65** per month, effective April 1, 2012.

COVERAGE	'STANDARD' N	VALUE OF DP BENEFIT		
Employee plus Domestic Partner w/ or w/o child(ren)	\$95 Pre-tax	\$100 Post-tax	\$195 Total	\$710.65

For employees not paying the standard monthly employee contribution, please contact the Benefits Office for the monthly imputed income amount or go to the Benefits page of the Franklin County Portal and access the Domestic Partner 2012 Monthly Contribution Rates and Imputed Income document.

Please consider these additional taxes when determining whether or not to enroll a domestic partner. It is advisable to discuss with your tax consultant. If you enroll a domestic partner and later determine the imputed income taxes are too high, you will not be able to terminate coverage for your domestic partner until the next Open Enrollment.

Franklin County Benefits and **Risk Management Department**

Franklin County Courthouse 373 S. High Street, 25th Floor Columbus, OH 43215 614-525-5750 1-800-397-5884

hrbenefits@franklincountyohio.gov Hours: M-F, 8am - 5pm

Fairfield County Benefits Office

239 West Main Street Lancaster, OH 43130 740-652-7893 Hours: M-F, 8am - 5pm

Pickaway County Benefits Office

Contact the Franklin County Benefits Office.





PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME

care, community services, etc. become part of the medical care team. This is critical during transitions between sites of care, i.e. from an inpatient hospitalization to a rehabilitation facility or home with home health care. Successful coordination substantially reduces hospital readmissions.

- Simplify health care experience and improve continuity of care
- Help patient navigate the health care system to get safe and timely care
- Ensure a team-based approach to patient care management

PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME

A continuous relationship with a personal physician coordinating care for <u>both</u> wellness and illness

Practice-Based Care Team

Shared mission and vision
Provider leadership
Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant

Access to Care

Same-day appointments
After-hours access coverage

Care Management

Wellness promotion
Disease prevention
Chronic disease management
Effective communication
Patient participation

Practice-Based Services

Comprehensive care for both acute and chronic conditions

Prevention screening and services



Quality and Safety

Evidence-based best practices
Patient satisfaction feedback
Clinical outcomes review

Care Coordination

Care transition

Collaborative relationships

Emergency room

Hospital care

Behavioral health care

Maternity care

Specialist care

Pharmacy

Physical therapy

Case management

Health Information Technology

Electronic medical record
Electronic orders and reporting
Electronic prescribing
Evidence-based decision support

PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME

FIFTH CORE PRINCIPLE:

A medical home employs a systems-based approach to quality and safety. The medical home upholds a commitment to quality and quality improvement by following evidence-based medicine (practices that have been proven successful). Measurement of provider performance, patient satisfaction and quality and safety data are heavily relied upon in determining the success of the medical home.

- More rigorous approach for gathering patient and provider satisfaction
- Use agreed-to evidenced-based guidelines and practice standards to monitor and manage care
- Improve quality of reporting and patient safety

Access HealthColumbus, a local non-profit, public-private partnership working to improve access to patient-centered health care, and United Healthcare, your medical benefits administrator, are at the forefront of the effort to develop and expand Patient-Centered Medical Home physician practices in Central Ohio. The Franklin County Board of Commissioners have agreed to implement the PCMH model through United Healthcare as a voluntary option in the employee benefit plans provided through the Franklin County Cooperative Health Benefits Program.

"Access HealthColumbus ...
and United Healthcare ...are
at the forefront of the effort
to develop and expand
[PCMH] physician practices
in Central Ohio."

Patient-Centered Medical Homes in Central Ohio

There are 27 physician practices in Central Ohio that have received the Patient-Centered Medical Home designation. Those currently in the United Healthcare network are listed below. Additional provider practices are in the process of receiving PCMH designation and joining the United Healthcare network.

American Health Network

Hilliard, OH 614-876-9558

Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians - Central Ohio Medicine

Columbus, OH 614-442-7550

Lower Lights Christian Health Center

Columbus, OH 614-274-1455

OSU Family Practice at Gahanna

Carepoint at Gahanna Gahanna, OH 614-293-2614

OSU Thomas E. Rardin Family Practice Center

Columbus, OH 614-293-2700

OSU Family Practice at University Hospital East

Columbus, OH 614-257-3560

OSU Internal Medicine at Morehouse

Columbus, OH 614-293-8054

Village Family Medicine

Columbus, OH 614-299-5838

OSU Family Practice at Upper Arlington

Columbus, OH 614-293-7417

OSU CarePoint Lewis Center Primary Care

Lewis Center, OH 614-688-7150

OSU Internal Medicine and Pediatrics Grandview

Grandview, OH 614-293-7901

OSU Internal Medicine at Stonebridge/Dublin

Dublin, OH 614-293-0079

Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians - Northwest Family Physicians

Columbus, OH 614-457-4806

Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians - Marysville Primary Care Marysville, OH

937-644-1441



PHARMACY NEWS AND INFORMATION

URAC ACCREDITATION

Express Scripts (your pharmacy benefit manager and Mail Order pharmacy) and CuraScript (Express Scripts' specialty medication pharmacy) successfully earned re-accreditation from URAC. The intensive re-accreditation process lasted more than a year and included several new and updated requirements.

What Is URAC?

URAC is an independent, non-profit organization that promotes healthcare quality through its accreditation and certification programs.

Why Is Accreditation Important?

Accreditation provides an external "seal of approval" signifying Express Scripts' practices comply with high standards for quality and clinical integrity.

Express Scripts submitted documentation to demonstrate compliance with nearly 700 accreditation elements relating to mail service and specialty pharmacy.

In addition, URAC reviewers visited 11 Express
Scripts sites to audit processes and interview staff, including the facilities which service Franklin
County Cooperative members!



SELECT HOME DELIVERY

Select Home Delivery asks you to consider using mail order for your maintenance medications. **You are not required to use mail order** ... we just want to make sure you are aware of the benefits of using mail order.

Why consider mail order?

- It is convenient.
- Your copays are less at mail order.
- The plan saves when you use mail order.
- Studies have shown that patients who use mail order, are more likely to take their medications as prescribed by their physician.

Express Scripts makes it easy for you to use mail order. They will contact your doctor and request a 90 day prescription, set up your billing options and even remind you when you are ready for a refill.

Wasn't I given this opportunity last year?

Yes! Circumstances change. Prescriptions we take change. And mail order may be right for you now when it wasn't last year. So you are being asked again this year to consider mail order.

IMPORTANT: If you receive the letter illustrated on the next page, you MUST call Express Scripts and tell them a) you are ready to switch to mail order; or b) you would like to continue receiving your medications at retail. Similar to last year, coverage for your medications may be interrupted if you do not contact Express Scripts and let them know of your decision.

Contact the Express Scripts customer service or the Benefits Office with questions.

READ THIS! If you are getting a maintenance medication at a local retail pharmacy. **SELECT HOME DELIVERY:**

Are you taking a maintenance medication?		YES
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NO

Are you getting it at a retail pharmacy?

YES ■ NO

If you answered yes to both of these questions, you will be receiving this letter. You will be asked to consider using Express Scripts Pharmacy/Mail Order.

To start getting your medications through mail order, follow the instructions in the RED box.

To continue getting your medications at retail, follow the instructions in the **GREEN** box.

If you receive this letter, you **MUST** contact **Express Scripts** and tell them your choice: Mail Order or Retail! It is that

simple!

At Express Scripts, the company managing your prescription-drug benefit, At Express Scripts, the company managing your prescription-drug benefit, your health and wellbeing is important. That's why we're reminding you of the Express Scripts Pharmacy to fill your maintenance medications, the prescription drugs you take regularly to treat ongoing conditions. We need you to again make a decision about where you fill those prescriptions, and then take action by contacting Express Scripts

Choose home delivery from the Express Scripts Pharmacy by visiting <u>StartHomeDelivery.com</u> or by calling 888.772.5188.

Choose to fill those prescriptions at a retail pharmacy by visiting <u>Express-Scripts.com</u> or by calling 888.772.5188.

You can continue to fill each of your maintenance medications at a retail pharmacy for the next two months. If we do not hear from you by then, pnarmacy for the next two months. If we do not near from you by then, per your plan, you will have to pay the full cost of your prescription

Home delivery is the preferred way to fill prescriptions for drugs you take roune delivery is the preferred way to fill prescriptions for drugs you take regularly. But, no matter what your choice, contact Express Scripts with your decision. Sincerely,

<Signature>

Andrew Behm, Doctor of Pharmacy Vice President, Pharmacy Services Express Scripts

P.S. Join millions of satisfied customers! The Express Scripts Join millions or satisfied customers: The Express Octipus
Pharmacy ranked higher than retail chain pharmacies in the latest customer satisfaction report from J.D. Power and Associates®. The Express Scripts Pharmacy... At Home."

ACTION REQUIRED: You need to make a decision about your prescription drugs.

You can trust the Express Scripts Pharmacy to deliver more:

Safety - 99.99% accurate compared to 98.30% at retail.1

Service - Registered pharmacists check every prescription and they're on hand to answer your questions 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Convenience - 90-day supply, free standard shipping, flexible payment options and Auto Refills.

Let us make it easy for you. Express Scripts can contact your doctor to get a new 90-day prescription.

SEE OTHER SIDE for affected prescriptions.



DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY TEST and YADs

Dependent children from birth through age 27 are eligible for coverage. Dependent children age 26 and 27 are identified as **Young Adult Dependents or YADS** and must meet more stringent eligibility criteria than dependents age 25 or less.

TO CONFIRM ELIGIBILITY FOR A CHILD: Place a \checkmark in each box that applies. STEP I: My child is: ☐ A natural, step or adopted (includes placed for adoption) child of mine, my spouse or my domestic partner ☐ A child for whom legal guardianship has been awarded to me, my spouse or my domestic partner ☐ A child for whom health care coverage is required through a "Qualified Medical Child Support Order". ☐ A grandchild, i.e. a child of an eligible dependent child If you did not check a box in STEP I, your child is NOT eligible. If you checked a box in STEP I, proceed to STEP 2. **STEP 2:** My child is: ☐ Less than 26 years of age ☐ Age 26 up to age 28 and is: Unmarried · Not eligible for coverage through his/her employer · Not eligible for coverage under Medicaid or Medicare · Residing in the state of Ohio or residing outside of the state of Ohio and enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited school, including college/university, vocational, technical, cosmetology, automotive or similar training schools ☐ A disabled dependent, defined as a child of any age who is not able to be self-supporting because of a mental or physical disability that began while the child was an eligible dependent.

If you checked a box in STEP 2, your child is eligible. If you did not check a box in STEP 2, your child is NOT eligible.

ENROLLMENT AND PREMIUM FOR YADs:

If you checked the second box under STEP 2 (Age 26 up to age 28), you are the parent of a YAD. To request coverage for a YAD during Open Enrollment, enroll at www.eelect.com and provide the necessary eligibility documents to the Benefits Office. In addition, you will be asked to complete a Young Adult Dependent Affidavit of Eligibility. An additional monthly premium amount is charged for each covered YAD. Effective April 1, 2012, the additional premium amount is as follows:

- . \$310 for Franklin and Pickaway Counties
- . \$290 for Fairfield County

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